

**3-Methylsulfinyl-2-phenyl-1-benzofuran**

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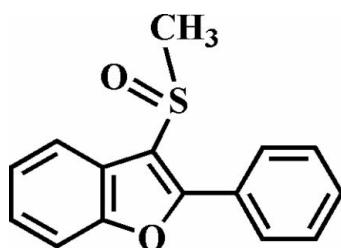
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 173\text{ K}$ ; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004\text{ \AA}$ ;  $R$  factor = 0.037;  $wR$  factor = 0.090; data-to-parameter ratio = 12.9.

The title compound,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2\text{S}$ , was prepared by the oxidation of 3-methylsulfanyl-2-phenyl-1-benzofuran with 3-chloroperoxybenzoic acid. The phenyl ring makes a dihedral angle of  $37.65(8)^\circ$  with the plane of the benzofuran fragment. The O atom and the methyl group of the methylsulfinyl substituent lie on opposite sides of the plane of the benzofuran ring system. The crystal structure is stabilized by aromatic  $\pi-\pi$  interactions between the benzene rings of neighbouring molecules [centroid–centroid distance =  $3.549(2)\text{ \AA}$ ] and by intermolecular C—H···O interactions.

**Related literature**

For the crystal structures of similar 3-methylsulfinyl-2-phenyl-1-benzofuran compounds, see: Choi *et al.* (2007a,b).

**Experimental***Crystal data*

$\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2\text{S}$   
 $M_r = 256.32$   
Triclinic,  $P\bar{1}$   
 $a = 8.0185(8)\text{ \AA}$   
 $b = 9.4381(9)\text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 9.7749(9)\text{ \AA}$   
 $\alpha = 115.574(2)^\circ$   
 $\beta = 109.179(2)^\circ$   
 $\gamma = 94.296(2)^\circ$   
 $V = 609.51(10)\text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 2$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.26\text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 173(2)\text{ K}$   
 $0.30 \times 0.10 \times 0.10\text{ mm}$

*Data collection*

Bruker SMART CCD  
diffractometer  
Absorption correction: none  
3185 measured reflections

2120 independent reflections  
1878 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.030$

*Refinement*

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.090$   
 $S = 1.10$   
2120 reflections

164 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.32\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.24\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

**Table 1**

Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
C15—H15C···O2 <sup>i</sup>	0.98	2.34	3.290 (3)	164

Symmetry code: (i)  $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1$ .

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2001); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3* (Farrugia, 1997) and *DIAMOND* (Brandenburg, 1998); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: PK2109).

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### S1. Comment

This work is related to our previous communications on the synthesis and structure of 3-methylsulfinyl-2-phenyl-1-benzofuran analogues, *viz.* 5-chloro-3-methylsulfinyl-2-phenyl-1-benzofuran (Choi *et al.*, 2007a) and 5-methyl-3-methylsulfinyl-2-phenyl-1-benzofuran (Choi *et al.*, 2007b). Here we report the crystal structure of 3-methylsulfinyl-2-phenyl-1-benzofuran (Fig. 1).

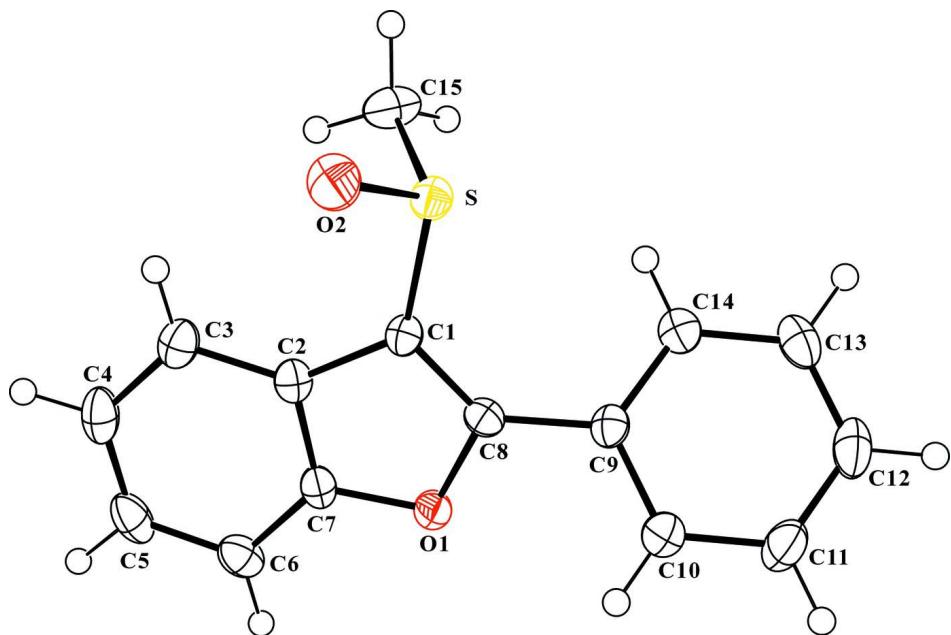
The benzofuran unit is essentially planar, with a mean deviation of 0.009 (2) Å from the least-squares plane defined by the nine constituent atoms. The phenyl ring (C9—C14) makes a dihedral angle of 37.65 (8)° with the plane of the benzofuran fragment. The molecular packing (Fig. 2) is stabilized by aromatic  $\pi$ — $\pi$  stacking interactions between the benzene rings from the adjacent molecules. The  $C_g \cdots C_g^{\text{ii}}$  distance is 3.549 (2) Å ( $C_g$  is the centroid of C2—C7 benzene ring, symmetry code as in Fig. 2). The crystal structure is further stabilized by C—H $\cdots$ O (Fig. 2) interactions between a methyl H atom and the oxygen of the S=O unit, with a C15—H15C $\cdots$ O2<sup>i</sup> separation of 2.36 Å (Fig. 2 and Table 1; symmetry code as in Fig. 2).

### S2. Experimental

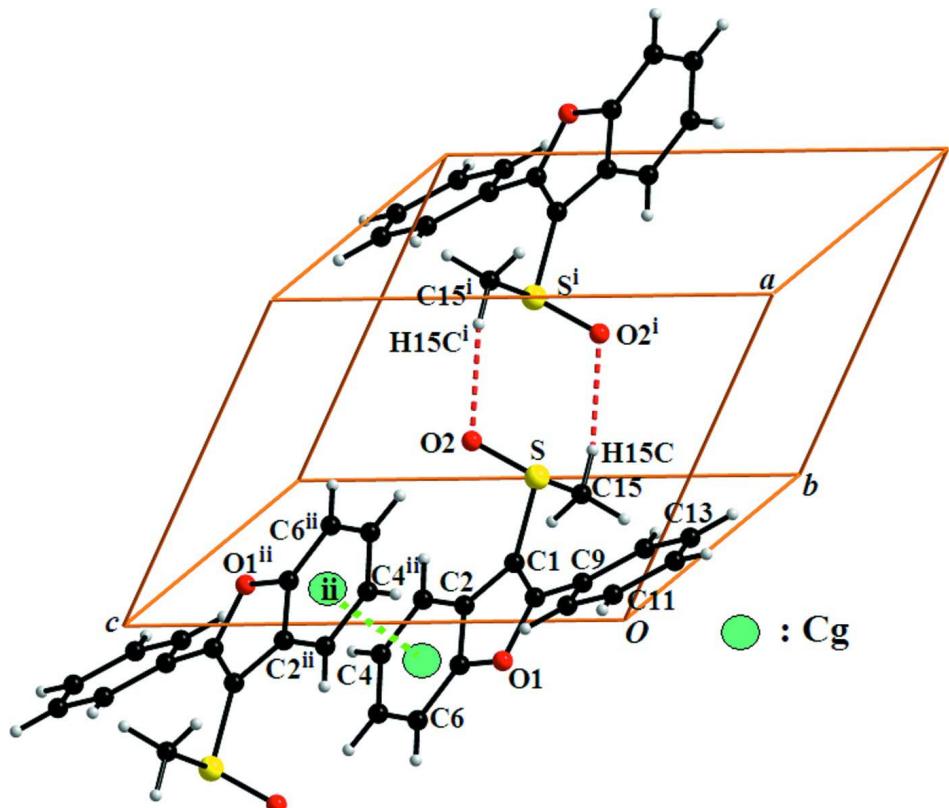
77% 3-Chloroperoxybenzoic acid (359 mg, 1.6 mmol) was added in small portions to a stirred solution of 3-methylsulfinyl-2-phenyl-1-benzofuran (360 mg, 1.5 mmol) in dichloromethane (30 ml) at 273 K. After being stirred for 2 h at room temperature, the mixture was washed with saturated sodium bicarbonate solution and the organic layer was separated, dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate, 1: 2 v/v) to afford the title compound as a colorless solid [yield 76%, m.p. 408–409 K;  $R_f$  = 0.79 (hexane-ethyl acetate, 1:2 v/v)]. Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were prepared by evaporation of a solution of the title compound in benzene at room temperature. Spectroscopic analysis:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  3.13 (s, 3H), 7.33–7.44 (m, 3H), 7.48–7.54 (m, 2H), 7.59 (d,  $J$  = 8.03 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (dd,  $J$  = 8.08 Hz and  $J$  = 1.48 Hz, 2H), 8.22 (d,  $J$  = 7.32 Hz, 1H); EI—MS 256 [ $M^+$ ].

### S3. Refinement

All H atoms were geometrically positioned and refined using a riding model, with C—H = 0.95 Å for aromatic H atoms, 0.98 Å for methyl H atoms, respectively, and with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2\text{U}_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for aromatic H atoms and  $1.5\text{U}_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for methyl H atoms.

**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of the title compound, showing displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

**Figure 2**

$\pi-\pi$  and  $C-H\cdots O$  interactions (dotted lines) in the title compound.  $C_g$  denotes ring centroid. [Symmetry code: (i)  $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1$ ; (ii)  $-x, -y, -z + 1$ .]

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Graphite monochromator  
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 $h = -8 \rightarrow 9$   
 $k = -11 \rightarrow 11$   
 $l = -11 \rightarrow 5$

*Refinement*

Refinement on  $F^2$   
Least-squares matrix: full  
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.090$   
 $S = 1.10$   
2120 reflections  
164 parameters  
0 restraints  
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier  
map  
Hydrogen site location: inferred from  
neighbouring sites  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0341P)^2 + 0.3746P]$   
where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.32 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.24 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

*Special details*

**Geometry.** All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s involving l.s. planes.

**Refinement.** Refinement of  $F^2$  against ALL reflections. The weighted  $R$ -factor  $wR$  and goodness of fit  $S$  are based on  $F^2$ , conventional  $R$ -factors  $R$  are based on  $F$ , with  $F$  set to zero for negative  $F^2$ . The threshold expression of  $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$  is used only for calculating  $R$ -factors(gt) etc. and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement.  $R$ -factors based on  $F^2$  are statistically about twice as large as those based on  $F$ , and  $R$ -factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

*Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
S	0.33893 (6)	0.23694 (6)	0.35764 (6)	0.02368 (16)
O1	-0.05250 (18)	-0.15771 (15)	0.17293 (16)	0.0238 (3)
O2	0.4116 (2)	0.33041 (18)	0.54205 (18)	0.0356 (4)
C1	0.1412 (3)	0.0880 (2)	0.2927 (2)	0.0210 (4)
C2	0.0021 (3)	0.1096 (2)	0.3590 (2)	0.0219 (4)

C3	-0.0353 (3)	0.2390 (3)	0.4755 (3)	0.0280 (5)
H3	0.0420	0.3457	0.5336	0.034*
C4	-0.1883 (3)	0.2063 (3)	0.5031 (3)	0.0321 (5)
H4	-0.2170	0.2928	0.5807	0.039*
C5	-0.3018 (3)	0.0500 (3)	0.4202 (3)	0.0326 (5)
H5	-0.4060	0.0329	0.4425	0.039*
C6	-0.2666 (3)	-0.0807 (3)	0.3064 (3)	0.0291 (5)
H6	-0.3429	-0.1877	0.2500	0.035*
C7	-0.1131 (3)	-0.0453 (2)	0.2802 (2)	0.0226 (4)
C8	0.1044 (2)	-0.0725 (2)	0.1847 (2)	0.0212 (4)
C9	0.1918 (3)	-0.1716 (2)	0.0813 (2)	0.0221 (4)
C10	0.1916 (3)	-0.3292 (2)	0.0565 (3)	0.0299 (5)
H10	0.1393	-0.3695	0.1110	0.036*
C11	0.2669 (3)	-0.4265 (3)	-0.0468 (3)	0.0370 (5)
H11	0.2666	-0.5331	-0.0624	0.044*
C12	0.3428 (3)	-0.3693 (3)	-0.1276 (3)	0.0364 (5)
H12	0.3931	-0.4370	-0.1995	0.044*
C13	0.3451 (3)	-0.2136 (3)	-0.1033 (3)	0.0315 (5)
H13	0.3986	-0.1738	-0.1575	0.038*
C14	0.2695 (3)	-0.1150 (2)	0.0000 (2)	0.0255 (4)
H14	0.2707	-0.0083	0.0154	0.031*
C15	0.2300 (3)	0.3619 (3)	0.2805 (3)	0.0352 (5)
H15A	0.1334	0.3896	0.3203	0.053*
H15B	0.1768	0.3027	0.1592	0.053*
H15C	0.3203	0.4616	0.3200	0.053*

*Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
S	0.0189 (3)	0.0221 (3)	0.0235 (3)	0.00303 (19)	0.0068 (2)	0.0072 (2)
O1	0.0233 (7)	0.0214 (7)	0.0253 (7)	0.0042 (5)	0.0117 (6)	0.0089 (6)
O2	0.0311 (8)	0.0359 (9)	0.0232 (8)	-0.0025 (7)	0.0057 (7)	0.0058 (7)
C1	0.0201 (10)	0.0212 (10)	0.0202 (10)	0.0065 (8)	0.0080 (8)	0.0088 (8)
C2	0.0204 (10)	0.0264 (10)	0.0206 (10)	0.0093 (8)	0.0080 (8)	0.0122 (9)
C3	0.0305 (11)	0.0281 (11)	0.0246 (11)	0.0125 (9)	0.0107 (9)	0.0116 (9)
C4	0.0357 (12)	0.0421 (13)	0.0277 (11)	0.0238 (10)	0.0181 (10)	0.0185 (10)
C5	0.0303 (12)	0.0506 (14)	0.0401 (13)	0.0229 (10)	0.0236 (10)	0.0324 (12)
C6	0.0256 (11)	0.0365 (12)	0.0348 (12)	0.0106 (9)	0.0138 (9)	0.0235 (10)
C7	0.0234 (10)	0.0275 (10)	0.0213 (10)	0.0105 (8)	0.0112 (8)	0.0132 (9)
C8	0.0187 (9)	0.0235 (10)	0.0208 (10)	0.0035 (8)	0.0067 (8)	0.0113 (8)
C9	0.0198 (9)	0.0214 (10)	0.0181 (10)	0.0034 (8)	0.0056 (8)	0.0055 (8)
C10	0.0334 (12)	0.0255 (11)	0.0309 (12)	0.0068 (9)	0.0163 (10)	0.0113 (9)
C11	0.0423 (13)	0.0239 (11)	0.0400 (14)	0.0113 (10)	0.0199 (11)	0.0085 (10)
C12	0.0317 (12)	0.0366 (13)	0.0305 (12)	0.0101 (10)	0.0167 (10)	0.0041 (10)
C13	0.0254 (11)	0.0409 (12)	0.0227 (11)	0.0036 (9)	0.0114 (9)	0.0104 (9)
C14	0.0235 (10)	0.0277 (11)	0.0213 (10)	0.0048 (8)	0.0070 (8)	0.0103 (9)
C15	0.0292 (11)	0.0263 (11)	0.0451 (14)	0.0039 (9)	0.0081 (10)	0.0186 (11)

Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $\text{^{\circ}}$ )

S—O2	1.492 (2)	C6—H6	0.9500
S—C1	1.769 (2)	C8—C9	1.461 (3)
S—C15	1.792 (2)	C9—C14	1.396 (3)
O1—C7	1.384 (2)	C9—C10	1.400 (3)
O1—C8	1.384 (2)	C10—C11	1.382 (3)
C1—C8	1.358 (3)	C10—H10	0.9500
C1—C2	1.449 (3)	C11—C12	1.386 (3)
C2—C7	1.394 (3)	C11—H11	0.9500
C2—C3	1.398 (3)	C12—C13	1.382 (3)
C3—C4	1.381 (3)	C12—H12	0.9500
C3—H3	0.9500	C13—C14	1.389 (3)
C4—C5	1.394 (3)	C13—H13	0.9500
C4—H4	0.9500	C14—H14	0.9500
C5—C6	1.383 (3)	C15—H15A	0.9800
C5—H5	0.9500	C15—H15B	0.9800
C6—C7	1.383 (3)	C15—H15C	0.9800
O2—S—C1	106.42 (9)	C1—C8—C9	134.62 (17)
O2—S—C15	107.19 (10)	O1—C8—C9	114.80 (16)
C1—S—C15	98.28 (10)	C14—C9—C10	118.74 (18)
C7—O1—C8	106.40 (14)	C14—C9—C8	121.25 (17)
C8—C1—C2	107.57 (17)	C10—C9—C8	119.95 (18)
C8—C1—S	125.35 (15)	C11—C10—C9	120.4 (2)
C2—C1—S	126.67 (14)	C11—C10—H10	119.8
C7—C2—C3	118.79 (18)	C9—C10—H10	119.8
C7—C2—C1	104.81 (16)	C10—C11—C12	120.3 (2)
C3—C2—C1	136.38 (19)	C10—C11—H11	119.8
C4—C3—C2	117.8 (2)	C12—C11—H11	119.8
C4—C3—H3	121.1	C13—C12—C11	119.9 (2)
C2—C3—H3	121.1	C13—C12—H12	120.1
C3—C4—C5	121.8 (2)	C11—C12—H12	120.1
C3—C4—H4	119.1	C12—C13—C14	120.2 (2)
C5—C4—H4	119.1	C12—C13—H13	119.9
C6—C5—C4	121.76 (19)	C14—C13—H13	119.9
C6—C5—H5	119.1	C13—C14—C9	120.40 (19)
C4—C5—H5	119.1	C13—C14—H14	119.8
C7—C6—C5	115.5 (2)	C9—C14—H14	119.8
C7—C6—H6	122.3	S—C15—H15A	109.5
C5—C6—H6	122.3	S—C15—H15B	109.5
C6—C7—O1	125.00 (18)	H15A—C15—H15B	109.5
C6—C7—C2	124.38 (18)	S—C15—H15C	109.5
O1—C7—C2	110.62 (16)	H15A—C15—H15C	109.5
C1—C8—O1	110.58 (16)	H15B—C15—H15C	109.5
O2—S—C1—C8	-130.84 (18)	C1—C2—C7—O1	0.4 (2)
C15—S—C1—C8	118.42 (19)	C2—C1—C8—O1	1.2 (2)

O2—S—C1—C2	40.85 (19)	S—C1—C8—O1	174.25 (13)
C15—S—C1—C2	−69.89 (19)	C2—C1—C8—C9	−178.8 (2)
C8—C1—C2—C7	−1.0 (2)	S—C1—C8—C9	−5.8 (3)
S—C1—C2—C7	−173.87 (15)	C7—O1—C8—C1	−1.0 (2)
C8—C1—C2—C3	177.6 (2)	C7—O1—C8—C9	179.06 (16)
S—C1—C2—C3	4.7 (3)	C1—C8—C9—C14	−38.8 (3)
C7—C2—C3—C4	−1.6 (3)	O1—C8—C9—C14	141.18 (18)
C1—C2—C3—C4	179.9 (2)	C1—C8—C9—C10	144.1 (2)
C2—C3—C4—C5	0.8 (3)	O1—C8—C9—C10	−36.0 (3)
C3—C4—C5—C6	0.3 (3)	C14—C9—C10—C11	0.0 (3)
C4—C5—C6—C7	−0.4 (3)	C8—C9—C10—C11	177.18 (19)
C5—C6—C7—O1	179.56 (18)	C9—C10—C11—C12	−0.3 (3)
C5—C6—C7—C2	−0.5 (3)	C10—C11—C12—C13	0.7 (4)
C8—O1—C7—C6	−179.69 (19)	C11—C12—C13—C14	−0.9 (3)
C8—O1—C7—C2	0.3 (2)	C12—C13—C14—C9	0.5 (3)
C3—C2—C7—C6	1.5 (3)	C10—C9—C14—C13	−0.1 (3)
C1—C2—C7—C6	−179.59 (19)	C8—C9—C14—C13	−177.25 (18)
C3—C2—C7—O1	−178.49 (16)		

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